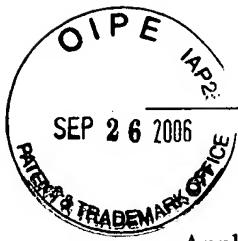


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Applicant : Kazmierczak et al.
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1. Submission Required under 37 CFR 1.114:

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- (X) Response to Office Action in 8 pages.
- (X) Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.131 Proving Prior Invention in the United States to Overcome Cited Patent with Exhibit A containing 4 photographs.
- (X) Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in 1 page, including;
- (X) Form PTO/SB/08 Equivalent in 1 page listing 3 references.
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Suspension of Action		1463 (\$130)		\$0
Total Claims	27 - 27 = 0	1202 (\$50)	0 x 50 =	\$0
Independent Claims	6 - 6 = 0	1201 (\$200)	0 x 200 =	\$0
Multiple Claim		1203 (\$360)		\$0
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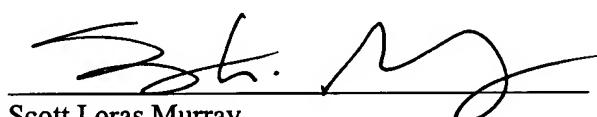
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